## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

JUSTIN T. MAHER,			
-against-	Plaintiff,	AFFIDAVIT Case No:14 CV 3586 (VLB)	
CAITLIN H. RAILO and QUALITY BUS SERVICE, LLC,			
	Defendants.		

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )
SS.:
COUNTY OF GEORGETOWN )

PATRICIA AMES, N.P., being duly sworn, deposes and says that:

- 1. At all times relevant herein, I was employed by Partners in Safety and Medicine, PLLC ("Partners in Safety") as a Nurse Practitioner.
- 2. Included in the services provided to its clients, Partners in Safety conducts employment physicals and drug screenings for prospective/current school bus drivers.
- 3. As such, I am familiar with the physical requirements to certify a prospective employee as a certified school bus driver in accordance with the applicable Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (49 CFR 391.41).
- 4. The exams I conducted to screen prospective Quality bus drivers, including the October 16, 2012 Employment Physical Examination of the defendant CAITLIN H. RAILO ("Railo"), were done pursuant to a contract/agreement between Partners in Safety and the defendant QUALITY BUS SERVICE, LLC ("Quality").
  - 5. I am not now, nor have I ever been, an employee of Quality.

- 6. On October 16, 2012, I performed an Employment Physical Examination of Railo.
- 7. Annexed hereto as **Exhibit A** is a true and complete copy of the Report documenting my October 16, 2012 Employment Physical Examination of Railo.
- 8. That report was prepared by me as a result of my examination of Railo; information provided to me by Railo; and, information obtained from Railo's primary care physician, Vivianna Galli, M.D.
- 9. During my examination of her, Railo denied narcotic or habit forming drug use.
- 10. During my examination of her, Railo exhibited no signs or symptoms of narcotic or habit forming drug use.
- 11. During my examination of her, Railo disclosed that she was then prescribed the medications Clonidine and Diazapam.
- 12. At no time during my examination of her, did Railo disclose to me that she was prescribed Suboxone. Had Railo disclosed to me that she was prescribed Suboxone, or any other medication for that matter, I would have written it in my report because I write down all medications which are disclosed. The only medications that Railo disclosed to me were Clonidine and Diazapam.
- 13. As a result of Railo disclosing that she was prescribed Clonidine and Diazapam, I forwarded to the prescribing physician, Dr. Galli, a form Prescription Clearance Letter to determine whether either/both of those medications would affect Railo's ability to drive a school bus.
  - 14. On October 16, 2012, Dr. Galli returned the fully executed Prescription

Clearance Letter to Partners in Safety, verifying that the medications of Clonidine and Diazapam were only taken during non-work hours. Dr. Galli certified, in her professional judgment, those medications will not affect Railo's ability to safely operate a commercial motor vehicle.

- 15. Annexed hereto as **Exhibit B** is a true and complete copy of the Prescription Clearance Letter certified by Dr. Galli received by Partners in Safety on October 16, 2012.
- 16. This Prescription Clearance Letter is an internal document received and maintained by Partners in Safety which is used during its internal certification process, and was not forwarded to Quality.
- 17. Based on the foregoing, I determined that there was no medical reason which would prevent Railo from becoming certified as a school bus driver. As such, I certified that I examined Railo in accordance with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, and determined that she was qualified to drive a school bus.

Dated: September 21, 2015

Atricia (nes, NP) PATRICIA AMES, NP

Sworn to before me this

2\ day of September, 2015.

Notary Public

RICH DEL-PAZZO

Notary Public

State of South Carolina
My Commission Expires Jul 15, 2024

## EXHIBIT "A"

Case 7:14-cv-0359019001/NaDocument /70 Driver completes this section. Driver's Name (Last, First, Middle) Social Security No. Birth date Sex Age M New Certification Date of  $\square$  M ☐ Recertification Exam OF ☐ Follow Up 14/12 Address (Street) City, State, Zip Code Phone Driver's License No. License Class State of W: (845) 858-2150 . . . . . . . . . . . . . DABBOC Issue H: 845 331-2335 □D □ Other 1/4 TELEVALUE DE LA LISTIO RAY 2. Driver completes this section, but medical examiner is encouraged to discuss with driver. Yes No Yes No Yes No + Any illness or injury in last 5 years. .2 High Blood Pressure Loss of, or altered consciousness Head/Brain injuries, disorders, or ☐ medication 0 Fainting, dizziness illnesses Muscular disease 7 Sleep disorders, pauses in Seizures, epilepsy 1 Shortness of breath breathing while asleep, daytime ☐ medication sleepiness, loud snoring H. Lung disease, emphysema, asthma, 0 Eye disorders or impaired vision (except Stroke or paralysis chronic bronchitis corrective lenses) Missing or impaired hand, arm, Kidney disease, dialysis Ear disorders, loss of hearing or balance leg, finger, toe Liver disease 1 Theart disease or heart attack; other Spinal injury or disease Diabetes or elevated blood sugar cardiovascular condition 7 Chronic low back pain controlled by: ☐ medication I. Regular, frequent alcohol use ☐ Diet ☐ Pills ☐ Insulin Heart surgery (valve replacement / Narcotic or habit forming drug Nervous or psychiatric disorders, bypass, angioplasty, pacemaker) e.g., severe depression ☐ medication For any YES answer, indicate onset date, diagnosis, treating physician's name and address, and any current limitation. List all medications (including over-the-counter medications) used regularly or recently. may 2012 had a hysterectamy du to Cervical Corrently in Minutine For Imenaparise that spasnes ect. ) Dr. Rhenler 95 Cryslal Run Road Middletown Liv 10940 No current limitations I certify that the above information is complete and true. I understand that inaccurate, false or missing information may invalidate the examination and my Medical Examiner's Certificate. Driver's Signature Medical Examiner's Comments on Health History (The medical examiner must review and discuss with the driver an inswers and potential hazards of medications, including over-the-counter medications, while driving.) Physical Examiner completes Section 3 through 7) PMD -M. Gal Standard: At least 20/40 acuity (Snellen) in each eye with or without correction. At least 70° peripheral in horizontal meridian beasured in each eye. The use of corrective lenses should be noted on the Medical Examiner's Certificate.

NSTRUCTIONS: When other than the Snellen chart is used, give test results in Snellen-comparable values. In recording distance vision, use 20 eet as normal. Report visual acuity as a ratio with 20 as numerator and the smallest type read at 20 feet as denominator. If the applicant wears orrective lenses, these should be worn while visual acuity is being tested. If the driver habitually wears contact lenses, or intends to do so while

riving, sufficient evidence of good tolerance and adaptation to their use must be obvious. Monocular drivers are not qualified. Numerical readings must be provided. Applicant can recognize and distinguish among traffic HORIZONTAL FIELD OF VISION ACUITY UNCORRECTED CORRECTED control signals and devices showing standard red, green Right Eye 20/ and amber colors? Yes I No Right Eye

Left Eye

Both Eyes 20/ Complete next line only if vision testing is done by an ophthalmologist or optometrist

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Name of ophthalmologist Date of Examination or optometrist (please print)

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Telephone Number

License No./ State of Issue Signature

Applicant meets visual acuity requirement only when

wearing: 

Corrective Lenses

Monocular Vision: TYes No

N Numerical readings must be recorded. Right Ear Left Ear b) If audiometer is used, 500 Hz 2000 500 Hz 1000 2000 a) Record distance from individual at record hearing loss in Right Ear Left Ear decibels. (acc. To ANSI which forced whispered voice can first Z24.5-1951) be heard Feet Average: Average: Feet BLOOD PRESSURE / PULSE RATE Numerical readings must be recorded. Medical Examiner should take at least two readings to confirm Blood Pressure. Blood Pressure Reading Category Expiration Date Recertification 1 Year if <140/90 140-159/90-99 Stage 1 1 Year One-time certificate for 3 mos. D Driver qualified if ≤ 140/90. If 141-159/91-99 One-time certificate for 3 mos. 1 Year from date of exam if 160-179/100-109 Stage 2 Pulse Rate: A Regular I Irregular ≤140/90 Record Pulse Rate: 6 mos. From date of exam if ≤140/90 >180/110 Stage 3 6 mos. If ≤140/90 LABORATORY AND OTHER TEST FINDINGS Numerical readings must be recorded. Urinalysis is required. Protein, blood or sugar in the urine may be an indication for further testing to rule out any underlying medical problem. URINE SPECIMEN Other Testing (Describe and record) PHYSICAL EXAMINATION Weight: The presence of a certain condition may not necessarily disqualify a driver, particularly if the condition is controlled adequately, is not likely to worsen or is readily amenable to treatment. Even if a condition does not disqualify a driver, the medical examiner may consider deferring the driver temporarily. Also, the driver should be advised to take the necessary steps to correct the condition as soon as possible particularly if the condition, if neglected, could result in more serious illness that might affect driving. Check YES if there are any abnormalities. Check NO if the body system is normal. Discuss any YES answers in detail in the space below, and indicate whether it would affect the driver's ability to operate a commercial motor vehicle safely. Enter applicable item number before each comment. If organic disease is present, note that it has been compensated for. See instructions to the Medical Examiner for guidance. BODY SYSTEM BODY SYSTEM CHECK FOR: CHECK FOR: YES\* NO YES\* NO Marked overweight, tremor, signs of alcoholism, 7. Abdomen and Enlarged liver, enlarged spleen, masses, General Appearance 12 1 problem drinking, or drug abuse. bruits, hernia, significant abdominal wall Viscera 1 muscle weakness. Pupillary equality, reaction to light, 2. Eyes accommodation, ocular motility, ocular muscle Abnormal pulse and amplitude, carotid or 1 8. Vascular System imbalance, extraocular movement, nystagmus, arterial bruits, varicose veins. exophthalmos, strabismus uncorrected by 9. Genito-urinary corrective lenses, retinopathy, cataracts, macular 1 System degeneration, aphakia, glaucoma. Loss or impairment of leg, foot, toe, arm, 1 Middle ear disease, occlusion of external canal, 10. Extremities-3. Ears hand, finger. Perceptible limp, deformities, perforated eardrums. Limb impaired. Irremediable deformities likely to interfere with atrophy, weakness; paralysis, clubbing, 4. Mouth and Throat Driver may be edema, hyptonia. Insufficient grasp and breathing or swallowing. subject to SPE prehension in upper limb to maintain steering Murmurs, extra sounds, enlarged heart, certificate if 5. Heart wheel grip. Insufficient mobility and strength pacemaker. otherwise in lower limb to operate pedals properly. 6. Lungs and chest, not Abnormal chest wall expansion, abnormal qualified. Previous surgery, deformities, limitation of [6]L Spine, other including breast respiratory rate, abnormal breath sounds motion, tendemess. including wheezes or alveolar rates, impaired Impaired equilibrium, coordination or speech examination. musculoskeletal respiratory function, dyspnea, cyanosis. pattern; paresthesia, asymmetric deep tendon reflexes, sensory or positional abnormalities, Abnormal findings on physical exam may 12. Neurological require further testing such as pulmonary tests abnormal patellar and Babinski's reflexes, and/or kray of ch This section MUST be completed. See Instructions to the Medical Examiner for guidance. ☐ Wearing corrective lenses Meets standards in 49 CFR 391.41; qualifies for 2 year certificate ☐ Wearing a hearing aid ☐ Does not meet standards. ☐ Accompanied by a\_ waiver/exemption ☐ Meets standards, but periodic monitoring required Driver must present exemption at time of certificate ☐ Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) Certificate Due to\_ driver qualified only for: □ 3 Months □ 6 Months □ I Year □ Other Medical Examiner's Signature Medical Examiner's Name (print) PATRICIA ☐ Temporarily disqualified due to (condition or medication): Return to medical examiner's office for follow up on 800 Route 17M, Middletown, NX 109 845-341-0515 Date of Exam ☐ Driving within an exempt intracity zone (SEE 49 CFR 391.62) Telephone Number Certificate Expiration Date 10 ☐ Qualified by operation of 49 CFR 391.64

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> VIVIANA GALLI Phyalolyn's Printed Name/License No.

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